Man arrested for setting couple ablaze two weeks after wedding in Adamawa

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ADAMAWA State police command has confirmed the arrest of one Ibrahim (surname withheld), for allegedly masterminding the killing of a couple by setting them ablaze inside their house just two weeks after their wedding.

The police spokesman in the state, SP Suleiman Yahaya Nguroje, said the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of the command had already started investigation into the crime.

He added that the suspect would be charged to court upon completion of investigation into the case.

The accused was said to be a lover to the woman before things turned sour between them while she left him for another man.

It was gathered that the couple was set ablaze on September 6, about two

weeks after their wedding.

It was learnt that the bride died as a result of the burns, while the groom is currently receiving treatment at a hospital in Yola.

The suspect, who is already married and has four children, fell in love with the deceased, on whom it was claimed he spent a lot of money after she had promised to marry him.

The woman, a divorcee before remarrying, it was claimed, collected about N150,000 from the man before she rejected his marriage proposal and got married to another man.

According to the police report, Ibrahim, who was angry after being dumped, hired one Savanna, whom he allegedly gave N5,000 and four measures of rice for the job.

Savanna, who is currently at large, then went to the couple's house at night with petrol to carry out crime.